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SUBJECT: UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF REPORT TO CONGRESS ON NUCLEAR
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MISSION PROVIDES BELOW FOR YOUR INFORMATION TEXT OF LETTER DATED
APRIL 25, 1975, FROM AMBASSADOR PECK (UK) TO AMBASSADOR BRUCE,
CONCERNING UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF THE REPORT TO CONGRESS ON
"THE THEATER NUCLEAR FORCE POSTURE IN EUROPE." MISSION IS AWARE
THAT IT MAY BE TOO LATE TO CONSIDER UK COMMENTS FOR INCLUSION
IN THE SUMMARY, BUT BELIEVES US CAN ACCEPT UK PROPOSED LANGUAGE
IF THE SUMMARY HAS NOT YET BEEN RELEASED TO CONGRESS.

BEGIN TEXT OF LETTER:

1. THANK YOU FOR SENDING ME A COPY OF YOUR LETTER OF 18 APRIL
ENCLOSING THE TEXT OF A PROPOSED UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF THE
REPORT ON "THE THEATRE NUCLEAR FORCE POSTURE IN EUROPE."
MY AUTHORITIES WELCOME THE IDEA THAT AN UNCLASSIFIED SUMMARY
SHOULD BE ISSUED AND FIND THE CONTENT OF THE TEXT YOU CIRCULATED
SATISFACTORY, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING POINT.

2. MY AUTHORITIES CONSIDER THAT THE LAST PARAGRAPH ON PAGE
UNCLASSIFIED

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2 OF THE DRAFT MIGHT, BY IMPLICATION, PREJUDICE MBFR DISCUSSIONS
AT SOME STAGE AND THEY SUGGEST THAT THE LAST TWO PARAGRAPHS
ON THAT PAGE BE REPLACED BY THE FOLLOWING:-

"-ALTHOUGH THERE ARE ONGOING US AND NATO STUDIES OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE THEATRE NUCLEAR STOCKPILE ON EUROPE (WHICH ARE CLASSIFIED), THE US AND ITS NATO ALLIES REMAIN FIRMLY CONVINCED THAT DEPLOYMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN EUROPE IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF A CREDIBLE NATO DEFENCE POSTURE."

3. MY AUTHORITIES ALSO WELCOME THE OFFER TO CONSULT WITH THE ALLIANCE ON THE TEXT OF AN UNCLASSIFIED VERSION OF THE FULL REPORT.

END TEXT.

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